District Judge Jamal N. Whitehead 1 2 3 4 5 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 8 AISHWARYA RAGHAVAN and No. 2:23-cv-517-JNW 9 AVININDRA PARUCHURI, STIPULATED MOTION TO HOLD CASE IN ABEYANCE AND 10 Plaintiffs, [PROPOSED] ORDER 11 v. Noted for Consideration: 12 UR M. JADDOU, August 22, 2023 13 Defendant. 14 15 Plaintiffs brought this litigation pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act seeking, inter 16 alia, to compel the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services ("USCIS") to adjudicate their Form 17 I-485s, Applications to Register Permanent Residence or Adjust Status, in relation to Plaintiff 18 Raghavan's Form I-526, Immigrant Petition by Alien Investor. The parties are currently working 19 diligently towards a resolution to this litigation. For good cause, the parties request that the Court 20 hold the case in abeyance until October 6, 2023. 21 Courts have "broad discretion" to stay proceedings. Clinton v. Jones, 520 U.S. 681, 706 22 (1997). "[T]he power to stay proceedings is incidental to the power inherent in every court to control 23 the disposition of the causes on its docket with economy of time and effort for itself, for counsel, 24 - 1

and for litigants." Landis v. N. Am. Co., 299 U.S. 248, 254 (1936); see also Fed. R. Civ. P. 1. 1 2 Initially, Defendant moved to dismiss the case for lack of subject matter jurisdiction. Dkt. No. 8. Subsequently, USCIS approved Plaintiff Raghavan's Form I-526 on June 23, 2023. As a result, 3 Plaintiffs communicated to Defendant that they intended to amend the Complaint to challenge the 4 5 agency's use of retrogression and Defendant withdrew the motion to dismiss. Dkt. No. 12. Due to 6 recent movement in the State Department's Visa Bulletin, Plaintiffs believe that there may be a visa 7 immediately available to them as of October 1, 2023, causing a challenge to the agency's use of retrogression to be moot. Plaintiffs will be able to confirm whether a visa will be available when 8 9 the State Department releases its October Visa Bulletin in mid-September. 10 Accordingly, this case may be resolved without the need of further judicial intervention. As 11 additional time is necessary for this to occur, the parties request that the Court hold the case in 12 abeyance until October 6, 2023. The parties further request that the Court vacate its Order Regarding Initial Disclosures, Joint Status Report, and Early Settlement. Dkt. No. 13. The parties will submit 13 14 a joint status report on or before October 6, 2023. 15 Dated: August 22, 2023 Respectfully submitted, TESSA M. GORMAN 16 Acting United States Attorney 17 s/Michelle R. Lambert MICHELLE R. LAMBERT, NYS #4666657 18 Assistant United States Attorney United States Attorney's Office 19 1201 Pacific Avenue, Suite 700 20 Tacoma, Washington 98402 Phone: 206-428-3824 Email: michelle.lambert@usdoj.gov 21 22 I certify that this memorandum contains 339 words, in compliance with the Local Civil Rules. 23 Attorneys for Defendant 24

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[PROPOSED] ORDER The case is held in abeyance until October 6, 2023. The parties shall submit a joint status report on or before October 6, 2023. The Order Regarding Initial Disclosures, Joint Status Report, and Early Settlement (Dkt. No. 13) is vacated. It is so **ORDERED**. DATED this 5th day of September, 2023. land W

Jamal N. Whitehead

United States District Judge